ral Neilson. He has for several months been studying the project, and a few days ago completed the plans for the model carriage. It is now in course of construction will be completed very soon. The di- LOCAL mensions of this new wagon will be twelve feet long, six feet wide and a triffe over six feet high. It will simply be a small postoffice on wheels. It will be fitted up precisely as in a mail street car or a steam railroad postal car, except that the scale will be smaller. The body of the wagon will be hung on springs and counter springs and the wheels shielded with heavy rubber tries. For a long time Mr. Neilson has been engaged in making investigations of the various means by which the mails may be transported. These investigations included street cars, pneumatic tubes and the electric horseless wagons. It has now been definitely decided by the Postoffice Department to employ the horseless wagons in the transportation of malis in city and country districts where there are no railway lines and where the service can be improved by making "separations" (assorting the mail) between offices while in transit. It is intended to place these wagons in service in cities which cover large areas and where "separations" between four or five stations will greatly facilitate mail deliveries.

VETOED BY THE PRESIDENT.

Bill in Regard to Leasing Lands for School Purposes Disapproved. WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.-The President to-day returned to the House of Representatives without his approval the bill authorizing the leasing of lands for educational purposes in Arizona. He objects to that portion of the measure which provides that until the Legislature makes regulations concerning the leasing of the lands and suitable limitiations and safeguard regulating it, the Governor, the Secretary of the Territory and the Superintendent of Public Instruction shall constitute a board for the leasing of the lands under rules and regulations heretofore prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior. Under the act it is not necessary for the Secretary of the Interior to give his approval to leases. Under these circumstances, he says, the lands whose value largely depends upon their standing timber may be leased and denuded of their timber by officers, none of whom have been chosen by the people and without the sauction of any law or regulation made by the Representatives of Arizona in the local Legislature. The protests received from numerous and influential citizens of the Territery, he says, indicate considerable opposition to this bill among those interested in the preservation and proper management

of these school lands. The President has signed the acts fixing the time for holding court in the northern division of the Eastern district of Tennessee and authorizing the Secretary of the Navy to donate cannon and cannon balls to W W. Wallace Post, Eldorado Kansas.

Alabama Frauds to Be Investigated. WASHINGTON, Feb. 28 .- A meeting of the Senate committee on privileges and elections was called to-day to hear the report of the subcommittee appointed to consider the resolution of Senator Allen, directing an investigation of election methods in Alabama, but, owing to the absence of some of the members, the matter was postponed until next Monday, when a special meeting will be held for this purpose. It is now quite well understood that the resolution will be favorably reported to the Senate after its consideration by the full committee, but there will be a di

At a meeting to-day a subcommittee con-sisting of Senators Mitchell of Oregon, Burrows and Turpie was appointed to consider Senator Mitchell's resolution for the election of Senators by the direct vote of the people with instructions to report at next Friday's meeting of the committee.

Cholera Germs by Mail.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28 .- The order of th Postmaster-general, issued in June, 1893, forbidding the use of the mails for the transmission of specimen germs of cholera or other diseased tissues, was modified by Postmaster-general Wilson to-day so as to allow n of such germs for transmission to United States, State or municipal laborator-This will be allowed, however, only when the germs are inclosed in mailing packages constructed in accordance with strict specifications now promulgated. These packages will not be allowed to be delivered to any representative of a laboratory until a permit is first isued by the Postmaster-general, certifying the right of the laboratory to

Denied Use of the Mails.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28 .- Under Attorneygeneral Harmon's decision, sustaining the order of the Postoffice Department, Postmaster-general Wilson is pushing the fight against the bond-investment companies operating lottery schemes. Telegraphic instructions have been sent since by him to se cure the arrest of a number of officials of these concerns operating in the Southwest, and to-day a lottery order was issued to all postmasters refusing the use of the mails to the Equitable Investment Company, of Fort Worth, Tex. The mails also will be barred against the officers of the company. A fraud order has been issued against Harry Lovell,

Linton Parading His Apaism. WASHINGTON, Feb. 28 .- An effort will be made to-morrow to prevent the dedication of the statue of Father James Marquette, in Statuary Hall of the Capitol, by Mr. Linton, the member from Michigan, vho is an avowed representative of the A P. A. doctrines. Mr. Linton has prepared a resolution to prevent the placing of the statue in the Capitol, basing his protest on a law providing that only statues of citizens of the States furnishing them shall be placed there and claiming that Father Marruette was not a citizen of Wisconsin. He will try to secure consideration of the reso-

The Transvanl's Prisoners.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28. - United States Consular Agent Manioe, at Johannesburg, has made a report by cable to Secretary Olney respecting the condition of the prisoners at that place. He says that the Transvaal government shows every disposiion to treat the prisoners leniently and has been considerate and friendly toward the official representatives of the United States. Hammond and the other American orisoners are now in Johannesburg, awaitng legal proceedings.

Cleveland Will Buy Duck Haunts. WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.-President Cleveand, it is said, has practically closed negotiations for the purchase of duck-shooting grounds on the Potomac river in Stafford county, Virginia, about forty miles below Washington. The place is owned by New Yorkers, has a water frontage of about a mile and is fitted up with blinds. It is said many improvements will be made.

Another Democrat to Be Ousted. WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.-House elections committee No.11 to-day decided to report in favor of unseating Mr. Robbins, Democrat, of the Fourth District of Alabama, and giving his seat to W. F. Aldrich, the contestant who was supported by Republicans and Populists. The decision was reached by a party vote, the Republicans claiming that ballotbox stuffing was practiced.

Carlisle Losing Gold.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28. - The treasury to-day lost \$1,259,500 in gold coin and \$10,200 in bars, which leaves the true amount of the reserve \$122,244,229. This is a net loss since last Wednesday of nearly \$2,400,000.

General Notes. WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.-The President and Mrs. Cleveland, Mrs. Perrine and Mr. and Mrs. Thurber occupied a box at Allen's Grand Opera House to-night as spectators of "Little Christopher."

A large delegation of Chicago officials and business men appeared before the House committee on rivers and harbors to-day to request appropriations for improving the channel of Chicago river to accommodate the increasing commerce therein.

Prince and Princess Troubetskoy. CHARLOTTESVILLE, 'Va., Feb. 28. rince and Princess Troubetskoy left Cobham this morning for New York, whence they will said on the Werra. Princess Troubetskoy will soon publish another story, the plot of which is laid in America, Aus-

ralia and England. Crusade Against the Word "Male." struggle for the striking out of the "male" from the State's Constitution,

A MEAN TRICK

BASKET BALL CHARGED WITH STEALING A GAME.

Man Returned to Prison from Muncle Turns Out to Be Ex-City Clerk of Delphi, Missing for Years.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. CRAWFORDSVILLE, Ind., Feb. 28.-The second game of basket ball between the Y. M. C. A. team of Indianapolis and this city took place this evening in this city. The first game was played two years ago and was a tie. The two teams lined up this evening as follows: Indianapolis--Chas. Pearson, l. f.; Henry

Fleming, r f; Murry Echman, c; Robert Neighbors, l g; M. Pritchard, r g; J. Miller, E. D. Bishop, Frank Hester and Thomas Farley, substitutes. Crawfordsville-Fred Alexander, 1 f; Chas Myers, r f; Chas. Whittington, c; Alfred Mc-Cleliand, l g; Paul Myers, r g; Chas. Com-brink, Prier Wright, Frank Given, Harry Evans and Robert Youngman, substitutes.

The game was won by Indianapolis by a score of 8 to 6. Crawfordsville had seven fouls to three for Indianapolis. The umpires were Fulgraff and Scott, from Indianapplis. There was much indignation among the people over the dicisions of the umpires in calling fouls on the home team In one instance the Indianapolis players even remonstrated against a foul against a Crawfordsville player and there were many who said to the umpires that they were stealing the game. A man at the hotel said that before the game was called he had heard the visitors arranging matters with the umpires. Preminent citizens versed in the game openly pronounced the rulings of the umpires as outrageous. The least show of a foul on Crawfords-ville was called, while flagrant fouls by Indianapolis were "not seen." In one in-stance the umpires did not "see" an In-dianapolis man have hold of Alexander's arm and swing him around twice, causing the umpire to change his position to keep from being hit by the visitor's feet. The best Crawfordsville players being "fouled out" at the start is what lost the game. Crawfordsville will play at Indianapolis in about three weeks.

HARRY GRANT'S RECORD.

Ex-Delphi Official Who Is in Prison as Charles Reed, of Muncie. Epecial to the Indianapolis Journal.

MUNCIE, Ind., Feb. 28.-Warden Harley, of the Prison North, who was in Muncie last evening to take Charles Reed back to prison on account of a clerical error that resulted in Reed's discharge three months too soon, tells an interesting story about his prisoner. Reed was sent up from here for stealing a valuable horse from merchant J. M. Long. For eighteen years past Reed was a hostler in Milton Thomas's livery barn here, and was treated as a member of the Thomas family until he began to drink heavily. Warden Harley says that Reed's right name is Harry Grant, and that he was one of the most highly respected young men of Delphi, Carroll county, at one time. He was elected city clerk of Delphi and, after his time expired, was made deputy auditor. He continued in this capacity over a year, when it was discovered that he had taken several hundred dollars of the county's money. He left that city seventeen years ago and has not been heard of by his relatives since. When Warden Har-ley approached him in the penitentiary and called him by his right name he was greatly surprised, but admitted that Harry Grant was his name and that he was the ex-city clerk of Delphi. The warden knew that he was a good penman and bookkeeper, and had him taken from the bleycle department and made him bill clerk, which position he still fills. The man guarded well his secret here in Muncie and news of his whereabouts will no doubt be a great surprise in Delphi. Grant's aged mother still resides

A FRESHMAN ULTIMATUM.

Wabash Class Threatens to Leave Unless Two Fellows Are Reinstated. Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

CRAWFORDSVILLE, Ind., Feb. 28.-The members of the freshman class of Wabash College have presented an ultimatum to the college faculty, apologizing for their actions and demanding that two of their number, recently suspended, be reinstated, or the entire class would leave college. The trouble grew out of the preliminary exercises to the usual observance of Washington's birthday, and took place at the college chapel on Friday morning, Feb. 21. At this time, just as the president said "Amen," John Parker, of Georgetown, Del., and Richard Daigne, of Fowler, Ind., let loose two pigeons, to which were tied the freshman class colors. This caused a stampede. The sophomores tried to capture the pigeons and the freshmen rushed to prevent it. Singing books were hurled at the birds, and chapel exercises were turned into a little rlot. Parker and Daigne, having released the pigeons, were held guilty by the faculty and suspended. The class sets up the claim that all the members were equally guilty, as they all had knowledge of the af-fair. There is strong demand that the parties who circulated the "bogus" last week should be punished. Although no person believed the contents were true, still it was a

A Mail Carrier Missing. Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

CRAWFORDSVILLE, Ind., Feb. 28 .- Thi morning when Mrs. Ed Duckworth arose she found a note slipped under the front door. written by her husband, stating that when saw him again he would be a corps Duckworth was a mail carrier, and a hardworking young man who was always very devoted to his wife and three children. When he left home last evening he kissed his children good-bye and said that he was going up town. He is now missing, but his body has not been found. It is thought by some that he has simply gone off. Last night he went to several of his friends and gave them bank checks in exchange fo noney. He had no money in the bank. It is supposed, from what can be learned, that he obtained at least \$100 in this manner. What he did with this money, if he has killed himself, or what would he want with the money, makes a doubt as to his suicide threat. His family relations were not alto-gether pleasant. He was seen at the Big Four depot at midnight, and is supposed to have gone to Indianapolis.

Republican Club at I. U.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. BLOOMINGTON, Ind., Feb. 28.-The Re publican students of Indiana University met at Mitchell Hall yesterday afternoon and organized a Republican club. The following officers were chosen: President, George M. Cook, '97; vice president, James Taber, '98; secretary, Fred S. King, '97; treasurer, J. Teagarden, '96. Meetings, at which matters of political interest will be discussed, will be held regularly throughout the college year. At the beginning of next year real cam-paign work will be done. The Republican young men of the University are very enthusiastic.

George Cook, president of the club, is a nember of the Law School. His home is at Vincennes, Ind. He is very popular with the students, has considerable ability as a public speaker, is an active worker and will take the stump during the coming cam-paign. He is well known in southern In-

diana and will be an effective campaign speaker. Fired Into a Church.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. SCOTTSBURG, Ind., Feb. 28 .- A short time ago the congregation at New Providence Church employed Rev. Retchie to preach for them for the ensuing year, and a few nights ago the congregation assembled for worship. A short time before services began some one on the outside discharged a firearm, and the ball penetrated the church wall in rear of the pulpit and was heard to whizz by persons in the church, but could not be found. The hole made by the ball in passing through the wooden wall was large, and some are inelined to think the shot was fired for an ill purpose, for, had the minister been occupy ing the pulpit at the time, he would likely have been struck. The people of the neighborhood are somewhat agitated over the occurrence, and an attempt will be made to discover the gulky person

Suicide of a Farmer Boy.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. EDINBURG, Ind., Feb. 28. - Valentine Renner, aged about twenty-three years, and son of the late Peter Renner, four ROCHESTER, N. Y., Feb. 28.—Susan B. and son of the late Peter Renner, four inthony leaves to-night for California, to miles southeast of Edinburg, committed suicide this morning. He and a sister, with a servant girl, occupied the old homestead. lectures will be given in each of the The young man went down into the ceilar seven counties of the State during the of the house and shot himself three times in the breast, near the heart, and then in

the top of the head, the last shot ranging down and lodging near the eye. He had become unbalanced in mind. On his person was found \$170 in money and a will, written by himself, in which he disposed of his farm to his brothers and sisters.

Oil Found at Matthews.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. MATTHEWS, Ind., Feb. 28.-The well that the Land Company drilled the town site in Matthews has developed Into an oil well. George Cariens blew the well out yesterday for the company, as the consumers were complaining of insufficient gas. When he turned the well on oil shot up about thirty feet high, throwing out about five barrels in twenty minutes. There is no doubt in the minds of the citizens that if the well were shot it would develop nto one of the strongest oil wells in the State. Great excitement prevails at Matthews and companies are now being organzed to lease land and put down wells.

Anderson Wheel Works. Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

ANDERSON, Ind., Feb. 28.-The articles of incorporation of the Anderson Wheel Company were filed to-day with the county recorder, showing a capital stock of \$150,000. The directors, Messrs. J. B. Lott, J. Sears, W. G. Neff, W. L. Manchester, C. F. Lott, F. M. Cowden and C. F. Jones, selected the following as officers of the com-pany: President, F. M. Cowden; vice presilent, J. P. Sears; secretary, W. G. Neff; treasurer and manager, J. B. Lott. The company will manufacture bicycles and will consolidate with the Morrow Wheel Company, of Ohio.

Revival at Scottsburg. Special to the Indianapolis sournal.

SCOTTSBURG, Ind., Feb. 28.-One of the most interesting revival meetings ever held in Scott county is now in progress at the Methodist Church in this place, being conducted by the regular minister, Rev. J. T. Jones, assisted by evangelist Hatfield, of ress more than a week, and nightly the church building has been crowded. People who live miles in the country are attending, and in the audience may be seen persons who, until this revival began, were seldom seen inside a church.

Gas Well at Modoc. Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

WINCHESTER, Ind., Feb. 28.-The citizens of Modoc, twelve miles southwest of this city, have just finished drilling what proves to be an excellent gas well. Gas was found at a depth of 1,040 feet, being forty feet in the Trenton rock. The well will at once be packed and others put down. This is the farthest point south in the county where gas has been found in anything like paying quantity. Last night the citizens of the place had a jollification in honor of the find

School Girl Dies from Injury. Special to the Indianapolis Journal. MUNCIE, Ind., Feb. 28.-Alma Leonard, aged nine, and daughter of Mrs. Adolph Hohm, died last night while undergoing a surgical operation. Four weeks ago she was attempting to leave her seat in high school and struck her left ankle. The bone was shattered and while the badly swollen leg was being split open to scrape the bone, last night, she died. The family came to Muncle from Marion. The remains will be taken to Crawfordsville, the former home, for

Badly Burned with Acid. Special to the Indianapolis Journal. FORTVILLE, Ind., Feb. 28.-Ellsworth Stottlemeyer, employed by the Grote Greenstreet chemical works, carelessly handled some muriatic acid last night, which caused an explosion, the acid flying into his face and eyes, and may possibly cause him to lose his eyesight. This is the second similar accident at the works this week. Another workman, Harvey Grose, was burned badly about the face by a plug bursting out of a nitric acid vessel.

A Missing Defaulter. Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

HAGERSTOWN, Ind., Feb. 28.-George Ham, who lives six miles east, at Greens Fork, and who deserted his wife last week and wrote that he would never return, was discovered to-day to be a defaulter. He has been buying stock for Dan Harris, a prominent shipper, and was allowed to carry blank checks signed by Harris to enable him to fill a check for any needed sum to pay for stock. He secured \$500 with these checks before he left.

Found Unconscious by the Road.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal-BEDFORD, Ind., Feb. 28.-Anderson Bodenhamer, a farmer of Pleasant Run township, was found unconscious alongside the road between here and Hiltonville this afternoon. He had been on horseback and evidently thrown and draged a considerable distance. His face was badly bruised and up to to-night is still in a critical condition. Blood was found along the road from the place where he struck the ground to where he was found.

Used Canceled Stamps. Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

MARION, Ind., Feb. 28.-Deputy United years. States Marshal Jerry Coilins came here this morning and arrested Wm. A. Briar, who is charged with violating the postal laws. It is claimed that he used canceled stamps on letters mailed by him. He was taken before United States Commissioner Taylor, of Wabash, and, after a hearing, was released on

Got \$100 Damages.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal BLUFFTON, Ind., Feb. 28. - The seventhousand-dollar slander suit of Longacher against Erwin ended to-day with a verdict of \$100 for the plaintiff. Longacher managed a branch dry-goods store at Berne for Campbell & Erwin, leading merchants of Hartford City, and on being discharged, it is alleged, he was called a "fraud, thief and rascal.

Judge Brooks Buys a Paper.

Special to the Indianapolis sournal. BEDFORD, Ind., Feb. 28.-Judge T. J. Brooks to-day bought a halt interest in the Bedford Daily and Weekly Mail, owned by the late F. B. Hitchcock, and has formed a partnership with F. B. Ofis, surviving partner of the old firm, for the continuance of the business. The Mail is one of the best newspaper properties in southern In-

Russiaville Express Robber.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. KOKOMO, Ind., Feb. 28.-Wesley Kinder, aged twenty, was arrested for the express car robbery at Russiaville and is in jail here. Yesterday the residence of Kinder's brother was searched and a lot of stolen goods found. Kinder has confessed and implicates others. Among the goods found was a lot taken from a dental office.

Skotski Threw Up the Sponge. Special to the Indianapolis Journal. EDINBURG, Ind., Feb. 28.-The fight between Ed. Dinsmore and Ed. Skotski, of Shelbyville, was pulled off at the fair rounds, east of this city, at 11 o'clock tonight. Skotski threw up the sponge in the fourth round and the fight was awarded to Dinsmore. About 150 sports from this and neighboring cities saw the mill.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. MUNCIE, Ind., Feb. 28.-At 6 o'clock this morning Tom Thomas dropped dead in his

room at the home of his mother on Wash-

A "Sport" Falls Dead.

ington street. He got out of bed, drunk a small bottle of beer and dropped dead. The man was a well-known sport and gambler, having engineered many prize fights in this Newport Jail Contract. Special to the Indianapolis Journal. NEWPORT, Ind., Feb. 28.-The Board of Commissioners of this county met here in

for the new jail to Martin Lori, of Hunting-burg, Ind., for \$15,700. It is to be built of stone, and will have modern conveniences.

Indiana Deaths.

SHELBYVILLE, Ind., Feb. 28 .- Word reached her at noon to-day of the death of George B. Knisel, at San Antonio, Tex. For years he had been afflicted with pulmonary consumption, and with his wife and daughspending the winter South in the improvement. He arrived there about the 1st of January, but was seized with malarial fever and died. He was born in Hopkinsville, Ky., fifty-one years ago, and married at the age of twenty-one Miss Mary Bushy, who, with two children, surive him. The early part of his life he lived in Scencer, but afterwards moved to Lebanon, where he resided until 1888, when he came here. Twenty-four years ago he was made agent of the American Express Company at Lebanon, and from that day until he sur-rendered the office here to go South he was

man ever lived in this community who was better known or more highly respected. The remains will be interred at Lebanon, Ind. RUSHVILLE, Ind., Feb. 8 .- Mrs. Mary J. Winslow, aged about sixty, a prominent member of the Friends' Church, died at her home, near Riverside, Ripley township, last night. She was the widow of the late Wil-liam Winslow and mother of the Rev.

Charles Winslow, a Quaker preacher of considerable note. Mrs. Augusta Wilson, a highly respected lady living near Gwynnville, died yesterday. She was a daughter of the late Roland T. Carr, a leading citizen of Bushville fifty years ago, and was born in Fleming county, Kentucky. Mrs. Wilson was seventyfour years old.

MUNCIE, Ind., Feb. 28.-The death of Rev. J. H. C. McKinney, last night, removes a very active minister from the Indiana field. Rev. McKinney built the new M. P. Church on East Jackson street, and had the new Madison-street Church nearly completed. He has been working on a new publication here for some time, and the first number would have appeared next week. It was to be known as the Christian Endeavorer, a monthly paper. The remains were taken to Gosport to-night for burial there Sunday. MARTINSVILLE, Ind., Feb. 28.—John Weesner, of Gasburg, this county, died this morning of pneumonia, after a short illness, aged sixty-one. Mr. Weesner was born in North Carolina in 1835, but came with his parents to Morgan county two years later and has lived in the vicinity of his late home ever since. Josiah Weesner, his father, s still living at Gasburg, and is past ninety. John Weesner has been postmaster at Gasburg for the past thirty-one years. RICHMOND, Ind., Feb. 28.-Sylvester Jones, aged eighty-seven, a prominent mem-ber of the Hicksite Friends' Church, died at his home here last night.

REVEALED BY X RAYS.

Disease Discovered in the Hollow Part of a Woman's Thigh Bone.

CHICAGO, Feb. 28 .- A surgical operation was performed at Mercy Hospital this morn-Greenfield. The meeting has been in prog- ing by Professor Christian Fenger, which was suggested by the use of the Roentgen ray, and which led to a discovery which is believed to be in importance second to none on this or the other side of the water. The result of the operation, which was based on a shadowgraph taken by means of the Roentgen ray, showed that the ray furnishes a method of diagnosing the presence of malignant diseases in the interior of the bones witherto unknown to medical science. A Mrs. Swanson complained of a pain in the bone of the right thigh. The shadowgraph of the woman's thigh was taken, the ray passing through to the hollow of the thigh bone containing the marrow. It showed a portion of bone midway between the knee and hip joint, two inches long and an inch wide, was entirely gone, and its place was filled up by a spongy growth. The operation showed that sarcoma had attacked the thigh bone in its interior, and had produced, in size and shape, a condition exactly corroborated by the picture. This is the first known instance of the use of the ray in such deepseated structures.

COLLAPSE OF A GALLERY.

Fifty Persons Thrown to the Floor and Thirty Injured.

FALL RIVER, Mass, Feb. 28.-A gallery in the Casino collapsed during the polo game to-night and fifty spectators were thrown to the floor. Thirty persons were more or less injured. Narcissus Maynard, an old man, died soon after; others are thought to be fatally hurt.

OBITUARY.

Gen. E. C. Cabell, Ex-Confederate Soldier and Ex-Congressman.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 28.—General E. C. Cabell, who served in the Confederate army during the late war, died here at 5 o'clock this morning, at the home of Ashley Cabell, his General Cabell was eighty years old, and during the last thirty years lived in St Louis. He came here from Florida, which

State he represented in Congress forty years ago. He abandoned the practice of law several years ago, and since then lived in retirement. He leaves a son and two daughters. Other Deaths.

CHARLESTON, S. C., Feb. 28.-Father William P. Kenny, of New York, died suddenly from apoplexy on the steamer Iroquois while southward bound this morning. He was about forty-two years of age. His body will be sent to New York for interment. NEW HAVEN, Conn., Feb. 28.-John G Crump, aged forty-three, of Baltimore, Md. a traveling salesman for N. L. Uri & Co., of Louisville, Ky., died suddenly on the train from Springfield just as it reached

this city to-day. NEWBURG, N. Y., Feb. 28.-Dr. Smith Ely, for many years a practicing physician in this city, died to-day. He was about sixty years old and a graduate of the College of Physicians and Surgeons in New

NEW YORK, Feb. 28.—Henry J. Bang, pro prietor of the Sturtevant House, died to-day of pneumonia. Mr. Bang had been in charge of the Sturtevant House for the last three

TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES.

The Boston Athletic Association has decided to send an athletic team to Athens to contest in the Olympic games the coming

Prof. C. D. Woods, of Middletown, the vice director of the Storrs Agricultural College Station, has been appointed dean of the Agricultural Department of the Maine State College and director of the Maine expert station, at Orono.

The commission firm of Kennett, Hopkins & Co., Chicago, which was suspended from membership in the Board of Trade for two years, last December, on a charge of bucketshop keeping, has applied to the Cook County Circuit Court for reinstatement.

Attorney-general Moloney, of Illinois, has served notice on the attorneys for the Chicago Gas Trust that he would resume the taking of testimony in regard to the rela-tions of the Fidelity Trust Company with the gas companies at Philadelphia on March 19. Prof. W. S. Blackman, head of the department of Christian ethics at Yale, has received a call to the pastorate of the North Congregational Church, Bridgeport, Conn., left vacant by resignation of Rev. Dr. Chas. Ray Palmer, about a year ago.

Butter Makers Adjourn. CEDAR RAPIDS, Ia., Feb. 28.—The big was practically brought to a close this afterncon. Papers were read by C. E. Betts "Canada's Largest Creamery." Thomas John on "Is an export cheese ular one for home consumption?" an by J. K. Powell on "How we can get a good reputation for American cheese in foreign markets." The supply men are moving their exhibits and the working dairy is a thing of the past. Many of the members have departed for their homes and to-morrow will see the last of them go. The meeting was one of the best ever held.

Smallpox in Illinois.

SPRINGFIELD, III., Feb. 28,-The Stat Board of Health was informed to-day that there have been sixteen cases of smallpox and seven deaths this week at the Marine Benton board of trustees, telegraphed the board that there are now fifteen cases of smallpox at Duquoin and that citizens of Duquoin are fleeing to Benton and asking permission to quarantine against Duquoir saying the danger is imminent. Secretary Scott left to-night for Duquoin, and if the situation is dangerous quarantine will be tablished.

Assassin Burned in a Factory. JEFFERSON, Wis., Feb. 28.-L. M. Smith secretary, treasurer and superintendent of the Wisconsin Manufacturing Company, was shot to-night and fatally wounded by an unknown man. Officers pursuing the assassin surrounded him in the factory, and after shots were exchanged, the building was fired special session to-day and let the contract and the plant and the assassin were burned together. The cause of the shooting and the identity of the murderer are unknown.

Movements of Steamers.

NEW YORK, Feb. 28.-Arrived: Britan-nic, from Liverpool; Hindeo, from London. The steamship Paris, of the International Navigation Company's line, sailed to-day for | nots.' I sang there for seven months and Newport News, where she will be given a general overhauling. BREMEN, Feb. 28 .- Arrived: Aller, from New York, via Southampton. QUEENSTOWN, Feb. 28 .- Arrived: Etruria, from New York. LONDON, Feb. 28.-Arrived: Mobile, from New York.

Quite So. Washington Post. Mr. Harrison desires it to be distinctly unMR. M'LAIN'S RECEPTION.

President of Columbia Club Entertains Its Members.

One of the most notable receptions in the history of the Columbia Club was that given last evening by Moses G. McLain to the members of the club in recognition of his election as president of the club. The attendance was larger than any previous club event has called forth, no less than 225 of the four hundred members calling between 8 and 10 o'clock. The reception was of an informal character, albeit the guests were all in full evening dress, and there was no speech-making. The decorations were of cut flowers, growing plants and the American colors. The decorations of the dining room were especially elaborate and artistic. Refreshments consisting of salads, sandwiches, olives, champagne punch and the treasures that are stored in bottles in the Columbia Club cellars were served. The visitors played billiards and cards and discussed politics, and that Mr. McLain's nospitality was apreciated was indicated by the large number of those who lingered late. Mr. McLain was congratulated from all hands upon the success of his reception.

AMUSEMENTS.

"Il Trovatore."

Another artistic presentation of grand opera was given at English's last night by the Hinrichs company. This beautiful work of Verdi, with its many tuneful melodies, which never cease from the rising of the curtain to its final drop on the last act, was sung by artists, all of whom were new to this city, and who made an impression long to be remembered by the favored few who sat through the performance. The cast fell little short of being ideal, and it is nothing less than profanation of art that such vocal music should be wasted on only a handful of people in a city where musical pretension is as great as in Indianapolis. Minnie Tracey in the role of Leonora fulfilled all the extravagant predictions that had preceded her. Only at the annual music festival and in the occasional concert tours, such as that of Melba, does Indianapolis have an opportunity of hearing a prima donna of such undoubted merit. Contraltos deserving the name are as rare as cometary visitations, and hence Katherine Fleming in the role of Azucena was another musical treat. But the cast did not stop with these two talented singers. Head and shoulders above all the rest in a sensational surprise was Henri Prevost, the French tenor, as Manrico. Outside of the petted Jean De Reszki's, there is not another such male organ in the country, and the De Reszki could not have convulsed an audience in a more sublime and dramatic fashion than Prevost did last night when he took his thrilling high C with full chest volume at the rear of the stage and carried it to the footlights with increasing lyric effect, causing an outburst of applause that could not be restrained. Prevost has the Wagnerian girth and might be expected to display a voice of remarkable guttural strength, but such purity of tone and accuracy of attack on every note was a revelation. Without any hesitation this new tenor whom Gustav Hinrichs has introduced to America may be put down as one of the world's greatest tenors But Prevost, and Tracey, and Fleming were not all of the cast. There was a new baritone, who, in his way, was almost as great as Prevost. Louis De Backer is his name, one not known to a dozen people in Indianapolis before last night. He sang the role of Count De Luna in place of Del Puente, the veteran whose voice has seen its best days. De Backer is an ambitious opera fire and the ability to sing with the best. His voice is richly musical, and as strong in the lower register as any one can low recall. Next to De Backer came Marius Malzae, a basso of wonderful strength, but who had not the proper opportunity in this opera. These five leading singers, all stars, received a dozen calls during the evening, and had they been in mood and the size of the audience justified, it might have lengthened the performance a half hour by accepting the encore Lack of time prevents a more extended re-

view of the work of these exceptional sing-ers in last night's performance. One would be doing them an injustice, however, not to recommend them and call attention fact that director Hinrichs has brought to this city a grand opera organization the like of which cannot be expected to visit In-dianapolis until Messrs. Abbey & Grau can see their way to make this a stopping place for their Metropolitan Opera House Com-pany. No such treat is afforded even by the annual May Festival, when the public pays \$2,500 a performance to hear some star perfunctorily warble a couple of solos. The and as good as any ever likely to be heard here, while the orchestra is made up of musicians who ever give a sympathetic ren-dering to the Italian music.

Nevada in "Lucia" To-Day. Probably no better opera could be selected for a brilliant display of Mme. Nevada's beautiful voice than Donizetti's "Lucia Di Lammermoor," which the management of Hinrichs's Grand Opera Company decided last night to give at the matinee at English's to-day, in stead of "Traviata," the opera originally advertised. The mad scene in "Lucia" was given here by Melba, but beyond that no competent rendition of the opera has been heard in this city in years. The principal tenor role will be sung by the popular Michelena. The complete cast

LuciaMme. Nevada AliceMlle. Lynneberg Henry AshtonLouis De Backer Arthur BuchlawSignor Piroia Bide-the-BendEugene Lorrain EdgarFernando Michelena To-night the performance will consist of a double bill, including "Cavalleria Rusti-cana" and "Pagliacci," with both Minnie Tracey and the great tenor, Prevost, in

Local Attractions.

Peter Dailey, Jennie Yeamans and "The Night Clerk" Company conclude their engagement at the Grand with performances this afternoon and to-night. Robert Downing is seen to better ad vantage in "The Gladiator" than in any of

his plays. He will play it at the Grand Monday and Tuesday nights, with Eugenie Blair as Neodamia. There will be a street parade to-day of the big dog and pony show coming to En glish's next week.

Ben Stern, business manager for Fanny Davenport, was here yesterday, arranging for her engagement at English's the week of March 16, in "Gismonda," Sardou's great play, of which Miss Davenport makes an elaborate scenic production. Mr. Stern is hurrying on to Boston, where there will be plenty of work to do, owing to the fact hat Davenport, Bernhardt and Duse open the same night-March 23-in Sardou productions. The Davenport company goes from here direct to Boston. The New York Stars close a successful week at the Empire with two performances to-day. Next week comes Sam Devere.

Minnie Tracey's Career.

Minnie Tracey, the dramatic soprano who was heard with so much pleasure last night as Leonora in "Trovatore" and whose Santuzza in "Cavelleria" and Nedda in "Pagliacci" will be heard to-night, has received rare indersement for one of her years. She was born in Albany, N. Y., and is a niece of General Tracey. Miss Tracey was seen at the Denison House yesterday and related the story of her career.

"I always had the stage idea," she said, "but my family opposed me. I was poohpoohed and silenced. My musical bent, however, they could not repress, and I was permitted to go to Paris to finish my vocal study. There, as an amateur, I studied with Marie Sass for two years and a half, a brilliant teacher, who had herself created the principal role in 'L'Africaine.' By accident I was heard by Director Dauphin, of the Geneva Opera House, who offered me an engagement at once, but my teacher did not think at the first hearing that I was duly prepared. The director kept me in mind and the following spring asked me if I would sing before the abonnes of the Geneva opera. which I did. I made a success and was engaged at once. I made my debut in 'Faust,' my second appearance as Gilda in 'Rigoletto' and the third as Valentine in the 'Huguehad the honor of singing Elsa for the first time in French in Geneva. I also sang there 'L'Africaine,' 'Aida,' Halevy's 'Juive,' created 'Le Cid,' of Massenet; 'Iphigenie,' of Gluck, and sang my French Elsa success-'Following I sang in special performances

fully about twenty-seven times. all through Belgium. I put in no idle time. assure you. I created the role of Brunnhilda, in Nice, the following winter, "Dramatic, yes," said Miss Tracey, "that is my keynote in voice and action. In 1893 I sang at Covent Garden, London, my particular role being Donna Anna in 'Don Glovanlerstood that he is able to make his wed- | ni,' and then I had a host of social engage-

III. After London I went to Marseilles. sang there twelve dramatic soprano roles and was unanimously received by the public and the extremely difficult, critical theatrical commission. Of course, you understand the very taxing mode there. You make three appearances. At the final one the director comes forward and demands in very plain terms from the public: 'Do you or you not want her?" There is no varnish on his question, any more than there is on the public reply, which, if they feel that way, will be a violent hissing for you just as soon as anything else. Well, they accepted me with cheers. Last winter I was leading prima donna in the opera house at Cairo, and much did I enjoy the Orient and Oriental appreciation and enthusiasm, which the Chedive heads so consistently. Incidentally I sang in Geneva, my pet corner of Europe by reason of my debut and the great success and encouragement obtained there. In Cairo I sang in 'Cavalleria,' 'Pagliacci,' Bruneau's 'L'Attaque du Moulin,' Delna's great role

and several others. Since my debut on the stage I have studied with Tequi, a great Paris teacher famous for diction and better known to the artistic and professional than the average nusic loving world. How much I think of him and of the good he has accomplished for me I can hardly express. He is a very

The Musical Courier has the following complimentary words for Miss Tracey: "Miss Minnie Tracey has been rapidly winning in her own country, since her arrival, unstinted popularity and admiration. Small wonder is this to those who have followed the young singer's swift and sure artistic career in Europe. Three gifts belong to Miss Tracey indisputably: A live, intelligent and extremely interesting personality a full, rich, admirably trained voice and a dramatic power which distinguishes her on the operatic stage as an unusually capable

and magnetic actress." Notes of the Stage. Among the distinguished looking strangers seen in the foyer at English's Opera House this week there is none of more striking appearance than the veteran Iron gray manager, Herr Herman Grau, who is an uncle of Maurice Grau, of Metropolitan Opera House fame. Mr. Grau is the oldest member of a family long distinguished for its association with musical art on two continents. He is just now greatly interested in the future of his talented granddaughter, Miss Viola Baschweiler Grau, a youthful prodigy as a piano performer whom many elieve is destined to become America's leading piano player. She is little more than a child, but her playing has attracted the attention of the Eastern critics, who speak of her as evincing signs of technique similar to Paderewski's. During a recent perform-ance of "William Tell" by the Hinrichs company in Philadelphia Miss Grau made her debut, a plane being rolled on the stage caused a furore by her viril rendering of Von Weber's "Rondo Brilliant" and a Chopin Nocturne. She is now studying un-der Scharwenka, but will go abroad for sev-United States.

eral years and return for a tour of the Lillian Russell, after a tour of this country which is said to have cost her managers cles back again. Of course, that was ab-\$20,600, has returned to New York with a new opera and made a hit, the first time since she married her third husband, Perugini. Her new opera is "The Goddess of Truth," suggested by but only slightly imitative of Gilbert's "Palace of Truth." In this piece a statue comes to life and compels everyoody on the stage to speak honestly for a period of twelve hours. The story is by Stanislaus Stange, who has illustrated it with wit, fancy and good lyrics. Julian Edwards has set the book to pleasant music.

Vernona Jarbeau, the whilom prima donna, is now in the same cast at Keith's New York Continuous Performance Theater with W. Kelly, "The Rolling Mill Man."

An unprecedented scene happened at the New York Casino during a performance of "Lady Slavey" Wednesday night. Marie Dressler and "Dan" Daly had finished their acrobatic dance in the second act, and had repeated it several times with many variations, but the audience continued to recall them, and raised such a hubbub that the play could not proceed. The actors on the stage could not be heard, and they finally sat down and awaited the cessation of the good natured disorder. Daly at last came on the stage, but as Miss Dressler was not also forthcoming the noise continued. had begun a change of toilet and could not appear, in delicate proof of which the stage nanager waved one of her skirts from the prompter's side of the stage, as indicating that she had partially disrobed. This had an inspiriting rather than a quieting result on he audience and the noise increased. Miss Dressler in a few moments came to the footlights in semi-demi-toilet, half hidder wrapper, to bow her graceful acknowledgments and gracefully kiss her hand, after which the applause slowly died a natural death and the play was allowed to pro-

There will be three Hamlets in Brooklyn to-night. Eben Plympton will make his debut in the somber role at the Park Theater. while Otis Skinner and the ex-preacher,

THE SUMMER GOWNS.

While March Winds Blow They Are Being Planned and Made. New York Sun.

Blouse waists bid fair to outlive the sumsince they continue to blosso n all the new silks. And yokes and box plaits from neck to belt appear on some of the latest models as if they were genrative by covering them with insertion of

of the same color as the embroidery. Bands are constantly caving in and a number of of ribbon put on bretelle fashion over the robberies have occurred therein." ulders will be a feature of waist trimning this season, and in dimity dresses they may extend down either side of the skirt o the knee or hem, ending in a bow. Valenciennes lace and insertion are to much used for trimming flowered lawn and limity gowns, and large collars made of alternate rows of colored ribbon, and lace insertion with a frill of ribbon and lace around the edge, are a very pretty addi-tion, which makes a plain full waist very dressy, especially when it is cut a little low in the neck and the collar turns over from the edge. Some of the thin dresses are being made with a low-necked under podice of white lawn finished with a narrow edging, and the high-necked waist has the usual stock collar of ribbons. Another fancy for trimming dimity gowns, which has already been carried out in black silk waists, s to set in insertions of lace to form large plaits over the entire waist and sleeves. Dimities with colored grounds patterned over in scroll designs of white, and made up over dimity in white or a plain color which matches the gown, are very stylish, with white lace and white satin ribbon rimmings. One white dimity skirt will answer the purpose of under dress for several thin gowns, and should be made with a ruffle edged with narrow lace around the bottom and more closely gored around the hips than the outside skirt.

Among the elegant novelties for summer gowns are the new grass linens, very sheer and fine, with applique figures of lace made of gold and colored silk threads, set in at intervals all over it, and as the material s cut out underneath, the effect is very charming. This variety of linen costs \$4 or \$5 a yard, and is used for waists or sleeves, or both, of plain linen gowns made up over a bright colored taffeta silk, green being especially effective. A silk lining is not a necessity, however, since many of these linen gowns are being made up like dimity dresses, with an underskirt and low-cut waist lining of the plain ecru linen. The outside skirt is either plain, with a deep hem, or trimmed with insertion of lace or applique medailions above the hem. Other new linens have lace stripes in which the gold thread appears, and these require very little trimming, except the finish of ribbon, which is an indispensable addition. Cream white satin ribon is always effective for the coliars and belts of these gowns, but any color which s becoming may be chosen.

Black gowns of cloth, alpaca, silk and satin will be much worn during Lent, but they are made very dressy with cream satin and lace or some bright color. Light violet satin is especially fashionable just now in combination with black. One stylish waist of a black satin gown illustrated is draped around the body as many evening dresses are made, and a yoke or sort of collar effect is made across the front with a piece of black satin cut square across, extending out on the sleeve and finished on the edge by turning the satin up all around, leaving it loose from the lining two or three inches. Below this falls a double edge of violet satin two inches wide, which has the appearance of an under collar cut exactly like the black onc. Two rows of small silver buttons trim either side, and a collar effect below the violet satin stock is carried out in white satin, with an applique embroidery of violet silk and fine white cord, while little cuffs of this appear at the wrists of the black satin sleeves. Another pretty model for a black twilled mohair gown has black accordeon-pleated silk frills on the wrinkled silk sleeves, and the collar and edge of rendered the office here to go South he was derstood that he is able to make his wed- | ni,' and then I had a host of social engage- | bodice is trimmed around with applique jet. never out of the employ of the company. No | ding date without any newspaper assistance. | ments which it gave me great enjoyment to | The plaited front may be of black or white

chiffon. A pretty idea for a bodice is car-ried out in black satin, laid in folds from the side to the middle of the back and front, where they cross, forming a V at the neck. This is filled in, back and front, with violet satin, cut in three-cornere revers and covered with black silk guipure A deep frill of embroidered violet lisse is set on the edge of the revers.

FREE MATTER IN THE MAILS.

Government Carpets, Grindstones, Etc., Should Go as Freight. Washington Special to New York Tribune

Representative Loud, of California, chairman of the postoffice committee, has intro-duced a bill "to regulate the transmission of certain free matter through the mails." The first section of the bill authorizes and directs the Postmaster-general to transmit by freight, express or such other means as he may direct, such government books, maps, postal cards, stamped envelopes and other supplies of any and every description as are now transmitted free, as in his opinion can be so sent without serious injury to the government or the sender or person to whom the matter is sent-provided that the cost of transportation in any case shall not exceed the cost by the regular mail facilities. Section 2 provides that the Postmaster-general may cause a reweighing of all mail matter transported by railroad or other routes where mails are carried by weight, or may read-just on the basis of weighings already made the compensation to be paid the railroad or other transportation companies for carrying

In conversation with a Tribune correspon dent in regard to this bill, Chairman Loud said: "The transmission of so-called free matter through the mails costs the government 8 cents a pound or more, or about \$2,250,000 a year. This 'free matter' comprises a great number and variety of articles-government documents, maps, blank books and blanks by the hundred tons, office carpets and furniture, scales, grindstones tools, camp equipage and scientific instru-ments for officials and employes of the Coast and Geodetic Survey, etc. Now, it is absurd as well as extravagant for the governmen to pay transportation companies \$8 a hundred pounds, or \$160 a ton for the transportation of these articles. Everybody knows that those companies are now over-paid enormously for the transportation of mail matter from which the government derives a revenue on account of postage, and it seems to me that they ought to be tent with that. They can certainly afford to carry freight as cheaply for the government as they do for individuals or corporations but they are actually receiving many times

as much

"Are the railroads and other transports tion companies opposed to the legislation?" asked the correspon "Yes, indeed. I have reason to believe that most if not all of the members of the House of Representatives have received letters on the subject from the officers, attorneys and agents of transportation companies. representatives of several railroad companies wmen are interested hav proached me in regard to it. I asked one of them to give his grounds of opposition to the bill, and the only argument he could ad-vance was that if the measure should become a law the postal officials would keep out of the mails at the time of weighing the kind of articles covered by it, and as soon surd. The idea of the Postmaster-general and his assistants and subordinates engaging in a conspiracy of that sort to defraud transportation companies! I told him that the boot was on the other leg; that there was strong reason to believe, even if there was no legal proof to support the belief. that many of the transportation companies make preparations for the regular weighings, and thereby reap a handsome profit. seems to me that the railroad companies would better consult their own interests by advocating, or at least not opposing, the bill. They will not suffer materially, if at all, by the change, which will be gradual, but on the other hand, if they resist and defeat the measure it is by no means improbable that the country will demand before long that the compensation paid to railroad companies by the government for the trans-portation of the mails shall be cut down 0 or 25 per cent., and that Congress will

HE VISITS TOMBS. Queer Recreation of a Man Who Has Traveled Much.

basis of present business.

favorably respond to the demand. A re-

duction of 20 per cent. would mean \$7,000,000

a year to the railroad companies on the

Buffalo Courier. "My chief delight, wherever I go-and I've been around the world twice—is in visiting the cemeteries," said George M. Hooker, of Boston, at the Genesee, "Don't imagine that I devote all of my time to such sight-seeing," he added, "for it is my recreation, when I get through talking business. Knowing that ex-President Fillmore was buried here, I naturally visited Forest Lawn. The keeper pointed out his last resting place, but, being covered with snow, it was a very cheerless spot. I have visited all of the great cemeteries in the United States, including the national burial grounds at Arlington, Gettysburg and Antietam, but I failed to note the magnificence witnessed in the Old World burial places. The tomb of Napoleon, in the Hotel des Invalides, Paris, is the most superb ever saw. There is no finer cemetery, although there are many larger ones, than that of Pere la Chaise, near Peris. It is the model for many cemeteries. But the George C. Miln, are playing "Hamlet" at most interesting tomb I ever saw, and one other theaters in the City of Churches. which reminded me of Johnston's tomb in New Orleans-was that of the great Chinaman, Confucius. It is in the K'ung Cemetery, near K'iuh Fow. It is a magnificent place, full of monuments, all erected by different dynasties in honor of the sage. The tomb is a great, lofty mound, with a marble statue in front. Near by are smaller mounds, where rest the bones of his son and grandson. There are forty thousand people in K'iuh Fow who claim to be descendants of Confucius and the chief is a Chinese duke of the seventy-sixth generauine novelties, but they are made very deco- tion. I have also visited the dreary crypts in Rome and Paris, known as the catacombs. With a guide I once traveled about White satin vests, en.proidered in a floral | three miles through the catacombs on the design with tiny ribbon, are put into winter | Via Appla, near Rome, and the guide asgowns of dark cloth to freshen them sured me that he had traveled twenty of up for spring and a pretty addition is a these subterraneous burial chambers. It is velvet ribbon stock collar and large bow | dangerous work, though, for the chambers

Fire at Duluth. DULUTH, Minn., Feb. 28 .- Fire broke out at 2 o'clock this morning in the O'Brien-Knowlton Block, on Michigan street. The building, which is four stories, is owned by wholesale produce concerns. The upper stories are occupied by families. A strong wind is blowing and nothing can save the structure. It is feared that several lives



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